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**Medical Home Pilot Projects Sub-Group
Recommendations for Possible Medical Home Pilots**

The sub-group on guiding principles recommends that the following criteria be put into place when designing possible pilot projects for the medical home model in Kansas:

- Providers should be selected from all areas of the state, including both urban and rural settings.
- Selected practices should have a mix of both physicians and mid-level providers.
- The pilots should include practices from all levels of medical home development. Practices with high levels of medical home characteristics and those which are just starting to move toward becoming a medical home should be included.
- The pilots should use the NCQA indicators framework, but the scoring system should be modified. Instead of setting very high point levels, the levels should be set lower, and specific indicators that must be met should be identified.
- Practices that choose to take part in a pilot project should receive education and training prior to the start of the pilot program and should have access to continuing assistance during the course of the entire pilot period.
- There should be no expectation of short-term cost savings. The pilot program should aim to improve quality of care first.

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